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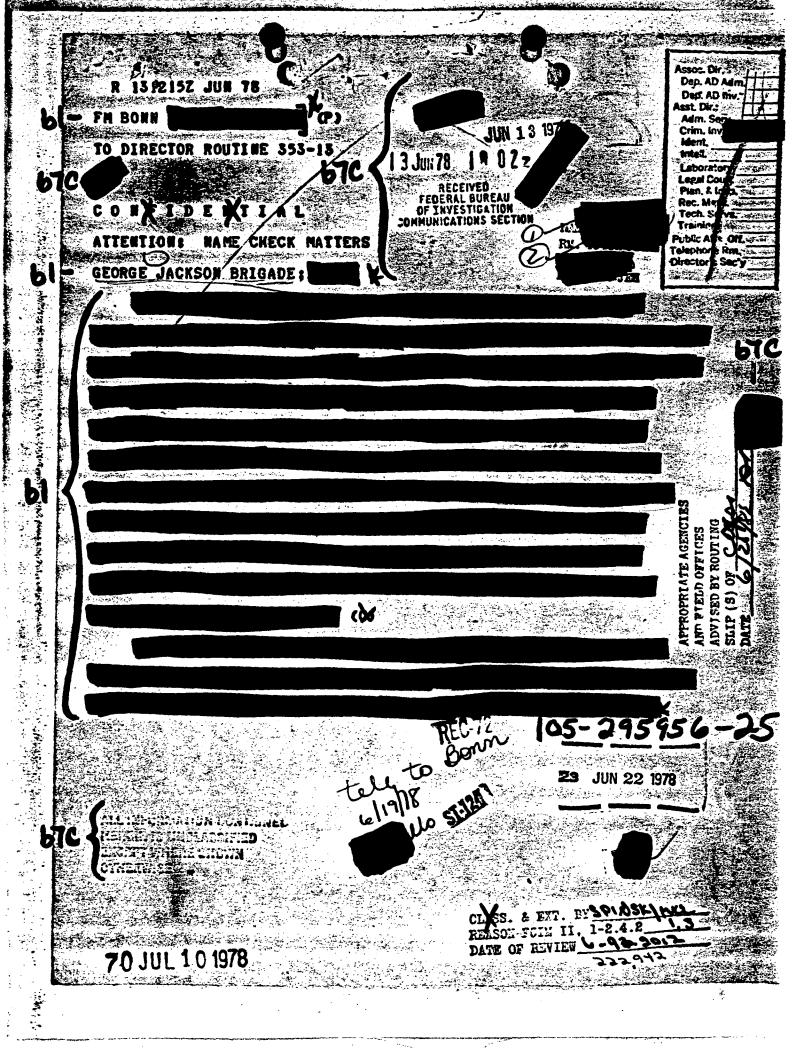
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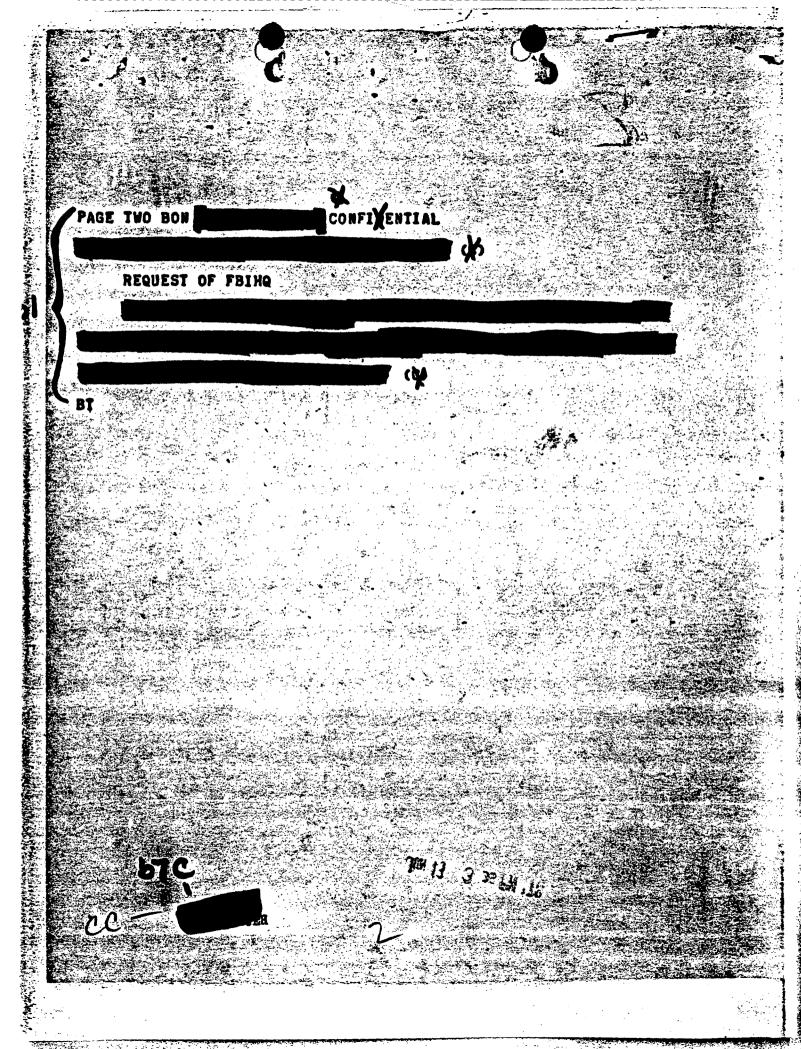
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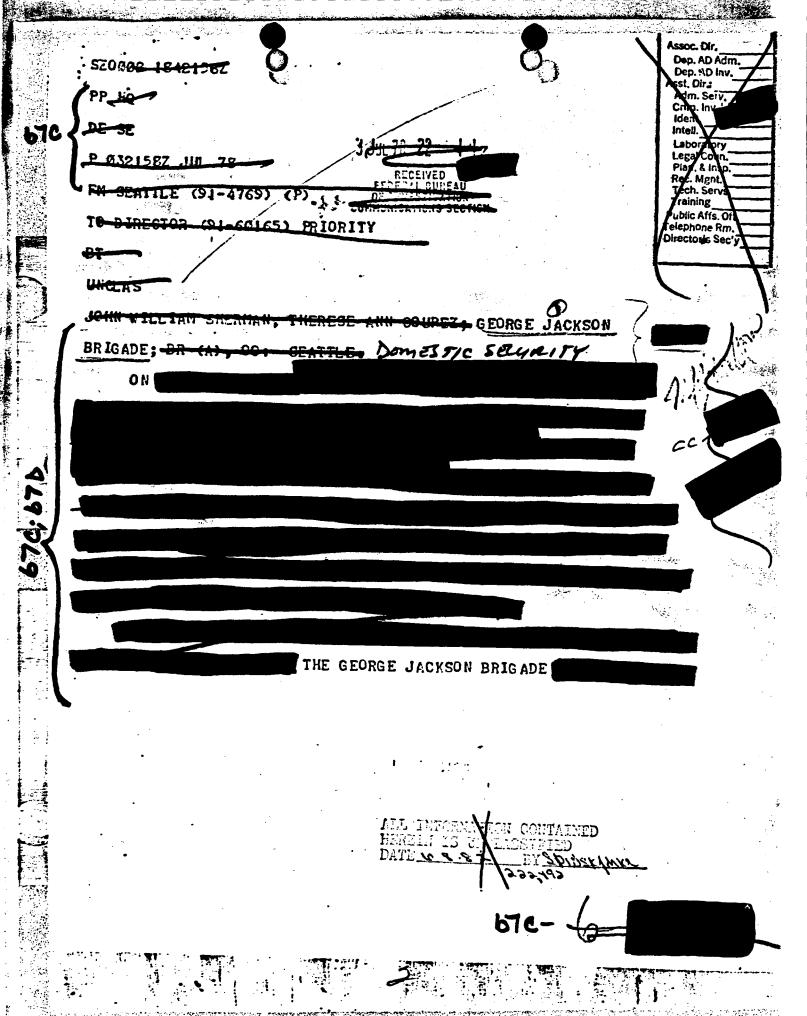


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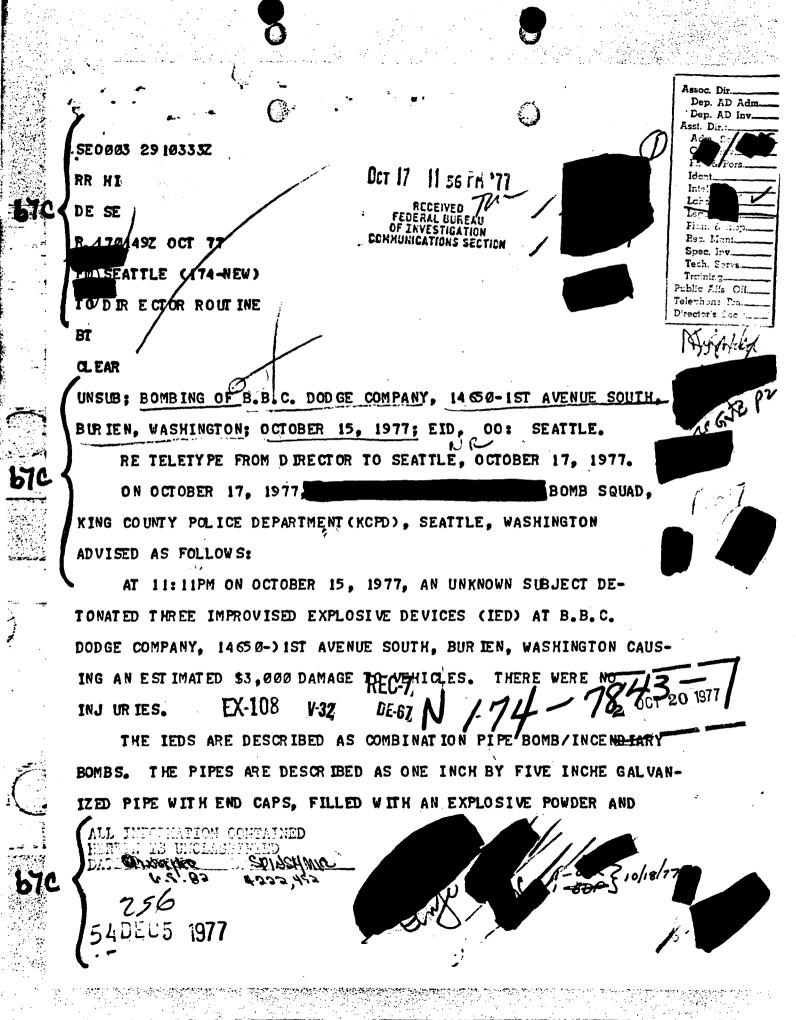
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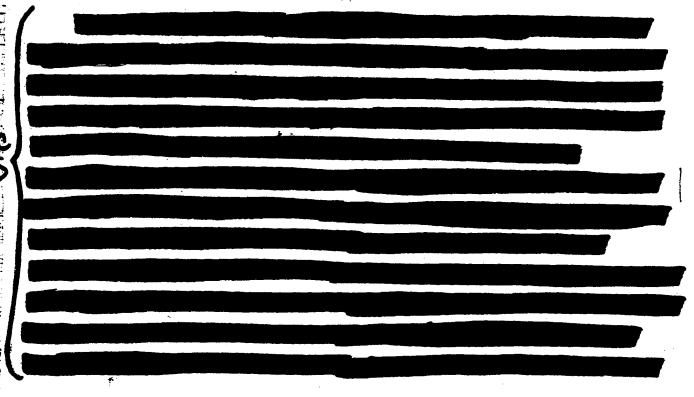
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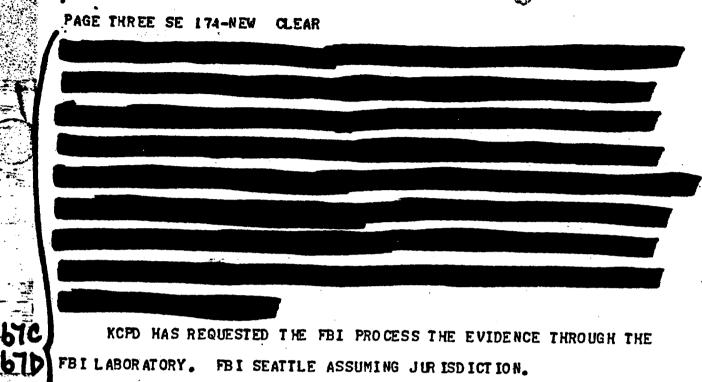
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KCPD HAS REQUESTED THE FBI PROCESS THE EVIDENCE THROUGH THE FBI LABORATORY. FBI SEATTLE ASSUMING JUR ISDICTION.

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RE SEATTLE TEL TO BUREAU, OCT. 17, 1977.

ON OCT. 18, 1977, A COMMUNIQUE FROM THE GEORGE JACKSON
BRIGADE WAS RECEIVED BY THE FOLLOWING: THE AUTOMOTIVE MACHINISTS
UNION, LOCAL 289, 2701 FIRST AVENUE, SEATTLE, WA; BBC DODGE COMPANY,
FBI, SEATTLE; THE KING COUNTY AUTOMOBILE DEALERS ASSOCIATION, 2024 BTH AVENUE, SEATTLE; AND KOMO RADIO-T.V. STATION, SEATTLE. THE
COMMUNIQUE CREDITS THE GEORGE JACKSON BRIGADE (GJB) WITH THE
ATTEMPTED BOMBING OF WESTLUND BUICK COMPANY, SEATTLE, ON OCT. 6,
THE BOMBING OF THE S. L. SAVIDGE COMPANY ON OCT. 12, 1977, AND THE
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WAS COMPARED WITH KNOWN FINGERPRINTS OF JOHN WILLIAM SHERMAN FROM
THE FILES OF THE KING CO. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, SEATTLE,
AND FOUND TO BE IDENTICAL.

CLOSE LIAISON IS BEING MAINTAINED BY THE SEATTLE DIVISION WITH THE SEATTLE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE KING CO. POLICE DEPARTMENT, AND ALL BOMBING PARAPHERNALIA AND COMMUNIQUE EVIDENCE HAVE BEEN TURNED OVER TO THE FBI OFN FE, SEATTLE, AND WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE FBI LABORATORY.

INVESTIGATION BY SEATTLE DIVISION IS CONTINUING.

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JOHN WILLIAM SHERMAN, aka FUGITIVE
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WESTERN BANK
COOS BAY, OREGON
JUNE 8, 1976
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RITA DARLENE BROWN, aka FUBANK #701 CRATER NATIONAL BANK SOUTH ASHLAND OFFICE 1632 ASHLAND ASHLAND, OREGON JULY 13, 1976 PDfile 91-8663 BUfile 91-62295 OO: PORTLAND

RITA DARLENE BROWN
FUBANK #701
THE OREGON BANK
ROGUE VALLEY BRANCH,
1025 COURT STREET
MEDFORD, OREGON
AUGUST 2, 1976
PDfile 91-8677
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OO: PORTLAND

RITA DARLENE BROWN,
FUBANK #701;
JOHN WILLIAM SHERMAN,
FUBANK #662;
FIRST STATE BANK OF OREGON
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805 N.W. MURRAY ROAD
PORTLAND, OREGON
OCTOBER 28, 1976
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RITA DARLENE BROWN,
FUBANK #701,
U.S. NATIONAL BANK OF OREGON
RALEIGH HILLS BRANCH
4870 S.W. 76th AVENUE
PORTLAND, OREGON
JANUARY 4, 1977
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RITA DARLENE BROWN, aka
FUBANK #701;
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RAINIER NATIONAL BANK
FACTORIA BRANCH
3724 - 128TH S.E.
BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON
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13233 - 100th N.E.
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RITA BROWN,
ATTEMPTED BOMBING OF PUGET POWER
AND LIGHT COMPANY SUBSTATION
16TH AND CHERRY
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON
JULY 4, 1977
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UNSUB;
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9600 - 1ST AVENUE N.E.
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON
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SEATTLE, WASHINGTON
OCTOBER 13, 1977
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14650 - 1ST AVENUE SOUTH
BURIEN, WASHINGTON
OCTOBER 15, 1977
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RITA BROWN
BOMBING OF PHIL SMART MERCEDES-BENZ
10515 MAIN STREET
BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON
NOVEMBER 1, 1977
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UNSUB;
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1520 FOURTH SOUTH
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON
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Title changed to reflect aliases of subjects

developed in Seattle investigation

REFERENCE:

Seattle report of SA Seattle teletype to Bureau, 11/4/77;

Portland report of SA

9/21/77.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

This is an interim report covering briefly the location, arrest and removal of subject BROWN to Oregon, the search of the residence, pickup and other areas known to have been utilized by subjects and possibly others, the indictment of subject COUPEZ, and other miscellaneous material of apparent immediate interest in the investigation and prosecution of this case.

A report to include results of intensive investigation to locate other subjects, identify associates, catalogue specific evidence and generally supplement information herein is currently in preparation to be submitted as early as possible.

Note that, agents from both the San Francisco and Portland Offices personally appeared at Seattle to aid in gleaning leads of immediate moment in attempt to affect the earliest apprehension possible of remaining subjects and to aid in identification of evidence of both Federal and local crimes.

Additionally expert fingerprint and document examiners from FBI Laboratory and Identification Division surveyed the evidence recovered, preliminarily examined documents for handwriting, dusted certain items for latent prints and furnished counsel to investigative agents relative to submission of evidence.

Contact is being maintained with the Bureau relative to computerizing the list of evidence recovered to assure that such evidence is easily retrievable at a later date and to aid in the ultimate prosecution of this matter.

Specific investigative leads are being set out by separate communications as they develop on a continuing basis and will not be duplicated in this report.

LEADS:

PORTLAND DIVISION At Portland, Oregon

Will submit report relative to investigative activity in your division.

SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION At San Francisco, California

Information copy furnished in view of possible related activity in that area.

SEATTLE DIVISION At Seattle, Washington

- 1. Will submit supplemental report.
- 2. Will continue intensive investigation.



1 - USA, Portland

1 - USA, Seattle (Attn: J. RONALD SIM)

November 16, 1977

Office: Seattle, Washington

Date:

SE 91-4769 Field Office File #:

BU 91-60165 Bureau File #:

Title:

MARK EDWIN COOK;

EDWARD ALLEN MEAD;

JOHN WILLIAM SHERMAN, also known as

Karl Joseph Newland, Barry Albert Grimes,

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Jay R. Newmarch,

Paul Davis,

William Harris,

George Lindsey, Frank Carlson,

Martin Paul Elliot,

Peter Johnson, Bob Thomas,

Joe Paulson, FUBANK #662;

THERESE ANN COUPEZ:

BRUCE RICHARD SEIDEL (DECEASED);

PACIFIC NATIONAL BANK

TUKWILA BRANCH

13451 INTERURBAN AVENUE

SEATTLE, WASHINGTON JANUARY 23, 1976

JOHN WILLIAM SHERMAN, aka FUBANK #662; WESTERN BANK COOS BAY, OREGON JUNE 8, 1976

RITA DARLENE BROWN, aka FUBANK #701 CRATER NATIONAL BANK SOUTH ASHLAND OFFICE 1632 ASHLAND ASHLAND, OREGON JULY 13, 1976

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RITA DARLENE BROWN FUBANK #701 THE OREGON BANK ROGUE VALLEY BRANCH, 1025 COURT STREET MEDFORD, OREGON AUGUST 2, 1976

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RITA DARLENE BROWN
FUBANK #701;
JOHN WILLIAM SHERMAN,
FUBANK #662;
FIRST STATE BANK OF OREGON
SUNSET OFFICE
805 N.W. MURRAY ROAD
PORTLAND, OREGON
OCTOBER 28, 1976

RITA DARLENE BROWN
FUBANK #701,
U.S. NATIONAL BANK OF OREGON
RALEIGH HILLS BRANCH
4870 S.W. 76TH AVENUE
PORTLAND, OREGON
JANUARY 4, 1977

RITA DARLENE BROWN, aka FUBANK #701; UNSUB (1) U.S. NATIONAL BANK OF OREGON WILSONVILLE BRANCH WILSONVILLE, OREGON FEBRUARY 7, 1977

UNSUBS (2)
RAINIER NATIONAL BANK
FACTORIA BRANCH
3724 - 128TH S.E.
BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON
JUNE 20, 1977

UNSUB (1)
OLD NATIONAL BANK
JUANITA BRANCH
13233 - 100TH N.E.
KIRKLAND, WASHINGTON
SEPTEMBER 8, 1977

UNSUBS (2); PEOPLES NATIONAL BANK SKYWAY BRANCH 12610 - 76TH SOUTH SEATTLE, WASHINGTON SEPTEMBER 19, 1977

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UNSUB; BOMBING OF SAFEWAY 1410 EAST JOHN SEATTLE, WASHINGTON SEPTEMBER 18, 1975

UNSUB; aka
GEORGE JACKSON BRIGADE (GJB)
BOMBING OF RAINIER NATIONAL BANK
2245 N.E. BELLEVUE-REDMOND ROAD
REDMOND WASHINGTON
MAY 12, 1977;
UNSUB; aka
GEORGE JACKSON BRIGADE
ATTEMPTED BOMBING OF RAINIER NATIONAL BANK
815 - 116TH AVE. N.E.
BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON
MAY 12, 1977

UNSUB, aka
RITA BROWN
ATTEMPTED BOMBING OF PUGET POWER
AND LIGHT COMPANY SUBSTATION
16TH AND CHERRY
OLYMPIA, WASHINGTON
JULY 4, 1977

UNSUB; ATTEMPTED BOMBING OF WESTLUND BUICK COMPANY 9600 - 1ST AVENUE N.E. SEATTLE, WASHINGTON OCTOBER 6, 1977

UNSUB: BOMBING OF S. L. SAVIDGE AUTO DEALERSHIP 825 LENORA SEATTLE, WASHINGTON OCTOBER 13, 1977

UNSUB; BOMBING OF B.B.C. DODGE CO. 14650 - 1ST AVENUE SOUTH BURIEN, WASHINGTON OCTOBER 15, 1977

UNSUB; aka
RITA BROWN
BOMBING OF PHIL SMART MERCEDES-BENZ
10515 MAIN STREET
BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON
NOVEMBER 1, 1977

UNSUB; ATTEMPTED BOMBING OF DIEBOLD COMPANY 1520 FOURTH SOUTH SEATTLE, WASHINGTON NOVEMBER 2, 1977

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Synopsis: Information from

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FBI fisur resulting in apprehension of RITA DARLENE BROWN by FBI at Seattle on 11/4/77. BROWN refused to admit identity or be interviewed and was identified through fingerprints. her possession was Oregon driver's license in name KATHERINE EMILY WILSON and additional items resulting in search warrant for residence 13746 Roosevelt Way North, Seattle, where investigation indicates SHERMAN, BROWN, COUPEZ and possibly This search and other investigation others had been staying. located storage locker, meat locker and vehicle in Seattle area for which search warrants obtained and executed. SHERMAN, COUPEZ and possibly others apparently fled residence based on radio log and note left at residence indicating vehicle driven by BROWN impounded by King County; that BROWN possibly picked up and that person finding note should leave for out of town location. BROWN appeared before U.S. Magistrate, Seattle, 11/4/77, and remanded custody U.S. Marshal in lieu of \$100,000 bail. On 11/14/77, U.S. Magistrate ordered BROWN removed to Oregon in connection with Federal Bank Robbery charges.

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Details:

At Seattle, Washington

On

information was received

the photograph of RITA DARLENE BROWN, appearing on an FBI circular,

Based on that information was

a physical surveillance of maintained over the period October 27 - 28, 1977.

On November 4, 1977

indicated that this person was driving a yellow Rambler Ambassador, Washington license CVF 241 Agents of the Seattle FBI

Office were immediately dispatched to the area.

Upon arrival in the area, no one resembling RITA
DARLENE BROWN was observed

Immediate

search of the surrounding area failed to locate the vehicle and physical surveillance instituted.

At approximately November 4, 1977, the above described vehicle was observed followed by FBI agents to the Highland Medical Plaza, 1306 North 175th, Seattle, Washington.

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11/7/77

At about during a surveillance in the vicinity of a yellow with simulated wood sides, 1968 four-door Rambler Ambassador station wagon, bearing Washington License Plates OVF241 and roof luggage rack was observed observed to resemble RITA DARLENE BROWN.

noted that the only other occupant of her car was a dog.

into a shopping plaza, later identified as the Highland Medical Plaza, 1306 N. 175th, and circled to the right until she was heading back out in a southerly direction. At this point, SA driver of the Bureau car, blocked her exit with the Bureau car and succeeded in stopping her vehicle.

SA approached BROWN, identified himself, both orally and with a display of his official credential card as a Special Agent of the FBI, and asked her to step out of the car and to provide some identification. She exited her car and advised she was KATHERINE WILSON. SA then asked her who the vehicle was registered to and she replied, PETER JOHNSON.

At this point, she was asked to sit in the Bureau car, at which time, SA compared her fingerprints with those known fingerprints of RITA DARLENE BROWN.

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After comparing her fingerprints, SA advised that, to the best of his knowledge, the suspect's fingerprints were identical to those of RITA DARLENE BROWN. SA then removed BROWN from the back seat of the Bureau car and advised she was under arrest for Bank Robbery. She was searched for weapons, handcuffed and placed back into the Bureau car.

SA furnished BROWN with a form entitled, "Interrogation; Advice of Rights," which she read out loud, advised she understood, but declined to sign. She declined to be interviewed.

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BROWN was transported via Bureau car to the U.S. Court House, 1010 Fifth Avenue, Scattle, Washington, and released to the custody of the U.S. Marshal.

Search by arresting agents incidental to RITA BROWN's arrest, located among other items:

- An Oregon driver's license in the name of KATHERINE EMILY WILSON.
- A matchbook cover bearing the advertisement "Aurora Rents", 175th and Aurora No.

Investigation at the aforementioned "Aurora Rents" located a receipt bearing the name KATHERINE WILSON, 13646 Burke Ave. North, Seattle, Washington, telephone 362-8111.

viewed an FBI wanted flyer concerning RITA DARLENE BROWN and indicated that BROWN

Subsequent investigation determined that no address 13646 Burke Avenue North, could be located.

13746 Roosevelt Way North, Seattle, Washington. Observation of that residence located a red International pickup parked in the garage of that residence, bearing Washington license GX7486, determined to be registered to KATHERINE E. WILSON, 13627 - 19th South, Seattle, Washington.

It was determined that no one was at the above residence.

Based on the above, and supplemental investigation conducted, search warrants were obtained for the residence and pickup located at 13746 Roosevelt Way North, Seattle, for a meat locker containing a large quantity of meat (Lake City Lockers, 12324 - 31st N.E., Seattle, Washington), and Jonathan's Self Service Storage, Storage Area #46, 32615 Pacific Highway South, Federal Way, Washington, which was rented in the name of KATHERINE E. WILSON.

Searches at these varied locations resulted in the seizure of a large quantity of evidentiary material including bombing paraphanalia, documents, radio logs, photographs, and other materials indicating that SHERMAN, BROWN, COUPEZ, and possibly others had been staying at the above residence. A radio log was located indicating a sustained monitor of Seattle-King County, Washington police channels. The final entries, relating to impoundment of vehicle in which BROWN was arrested. A note on the door of the residence indicated the vehicle had been impounded;

that it was unknown if BROWN was in custody and directed persons unknown to leave for the out-of-town place.

Arrest of BROWN was based on warrant issued February 7, 1977, at Portland, Oregon, after return of indictment in Portland, charging BROWN with robberies of:

- Crater National Bank, South Ashland Office July 13, 1976;
- The Oregon Bank Medford, Oregon August 2, 1976;
- 3. The First State Bank of Oregon Sunset Office Portland, Oregon October 28, 1976;
- 4. U.S. National Bank of Oregon Raleigh Hills Branch Portland, Oregon January 4, 1977;
- 5. U.S. National Bank of Oregon Wilsonville Branch Wilsonville, Oregon February 7, 1977.

All of the above are in violation of Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 2113 (a).

The Grand Jury also returned indictments on September 28, 1977, charging SHERMAN and BROWN with one count each of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, in violation of Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 922 (a) (6), 924 (a), and issuing a false statement in acquisition of a firearm in violation of Title 18, U.S. Code Appendix, Section 1202 (aL (1).

Additionally, a superceding indictment was obtained at Portland charging JOHN WILLIAM SHERMAN with robbery of Western Branch, Empire Branch, Coos Bay, Oregon, June 8, 1976, and bench warrant issued September 28, 1977, charging bank robbery violations, Title 18, U.S. Code, Section 2113 (a).

Bond was set at \$100,000 cash or surety on both BROWN and SHERMAN.

On November 4, 1977, RITA DARLENE BROWN appeared before United States Magistrate JOHN L. WEINBERG, Seattle, Washington, where she was remanded to custody of the United States Marshal in lieu of \$100,000 bail pending further hearings.

On November 14, 1977, in appearance before U.S. Magistrate PHILIP K. SWEIGERT at Seattle, RITA DARLENE BROWN was ordered removed to Oregon for further proceedings in U.S. District Court, Portland.

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This report is submitted in interim; an additional report is in preparation, detailing and supplementing the information contained herein.

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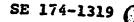
Enclosed for the Bureau are the following items listed by aforementioned Seattle file numbers:

SE 91-5251

One bank robbery demand note with Laboratory number 71006046 D Q1 Ω J.

SE 91-5198

- One envelope addressed to K.R.A.B. Radio bearing Laboratory number 770628104 NDQ4.
- Letter bearing Laboratory Number D-770628104 ND Qc3.
- 3. Copy of communique entitled "The George Jackson Brigade Summer Solstice Communique"
- Envelope addressed to "The Workers, Factoria Branch, Ranier National Bank, 3724 - 128th S.E., Bellevue, WA. 98006".



- 1. Envelope and original typed letter addressed to Automotive Machinist Union, Local 289, 2701 1st, Seattle. Note the letter bears the rolled right thumbprin of JOHN W. SHERMAN.
- 2. Envelope and copy of George Jackson
 Brigade communique addressed to KOMO,
 TV News Director, 4th North and Denny Way,
 Seattle, Wash. 98109.
- 3. Envelope and copy of George Jackson Brigade communique addressed to BBC Dodge, 14650 1st South, Seattle, Wash. 98168.
- 4. Envelope and copy of GJB communique addressed to King County Automobile Dealers Association, 2024 8th, Seattle, Washington
- 5. Envelope and copy of GJB communique addressed to JOHN REED, FBI, 915 2nd, Seattle, Wa. 98101.

Also enclosed is an Olivetti Silva 10-189 electric typewriter ball, which is evidence obtained from the prior residence of the George Jackson Brigade, in November, 1977, 13746 Roosevelt Way North, Seattle, Washington. The item is Seattle evidence #13888-DR-59 (SEfile 91-4769).

The Laboratory is requested to determine if the enclosures were typed on the same typewriter or with typewriter ball enclosed. These enclosures should also be compared with the bank robbery demand in SE 91-5264, BUfile 91-68028, which is presently in the Latent Section of the Identification Division.

It is requested that following the typewriter examination, that the enclosures be processed for latent fingerprints. (Note, some enclosures already processed for latent prints.)

Expeditious handling is requested

Copies of Laboratory results should be furnished for each captioned file.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON, D. C. 20535

SAC, Seattle (91-4769)

February 8, 1978

From: Director, F81

FBI FILE NO. 91-60165

LAB. NO. 80127079 D QS

JOHN WILLIAM SHERMAN, aka

FUGITIVE (A),

FUBANK #662; THERESE ANN COUPEZ, aka

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PACIFIC NATIONAL BANK OF WASHINGTON

TUKWILA BRANCH (RE CONTINUED BELOW)

Examination requested by: Seattle

Reference:

Airtel dated January 24, 1978

Examination requested:

Document - Fingerprint

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1 - Seattle (91-5251) Enc. (Lab report) 1 - Bufile (91-68138)

1 - Seattle (91-5198) Enc. (Lab report) 1 - Bufile (91-67389)

1 - Seattle (91-5264) Enc. (Lab report) Bufile (91-68028)

1 - Seattle (174-1319) Enc. (Lab report) Bufile (174-7843)

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Remarks:

Enclosed for Seattle is a photocopy of the typewritten impressions obtained from 935.

For the information of Seattle, no evidence has been received at the FBI Laboratory in the case entitled, "UNSUB: Bombins of B.B.C. Dodge Co., 14650 - IST Avenue South, Burien, Waspinston, 10/15/77, FID (3)" Seattle file 174-1319, Bureau file 174-7843.

Ql in the attached report refers to the "UNSUB(1); Old National Bank, Juanita Branch, 13233 - 100TH N.D., Kirkland, Washington, 9/8/77, BR" case having Seattle file 91-5251 and Eureau file 91-68138.

Qc3 and Q4 in the attached report refer to the "UNSUBS(2); Rainier National Bank, Factoria Office, 3724 128TH S.E., Seattle, Washington, 6/20/77, BR" case having Seattle file 91-5198 and Bureau file 91-67389.

The Q1 demand note in the RITA DARLENE BEOWN bank robbery referred to in the attached report has Seattle file 91-5264 and Bureau file 91-68028.

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To: SAC. Seattle (91-4769)

February 8, 1978

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PACIFIC NATIONAL BANK OF WASHINGTON

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13451 INTERURBAN AVENUE (RE CONTINUED BELOW)

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Re: SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

1/23/76

BR (A); SEF11e 91-4769 BUF11e 91-60165

Specimens received January 27, 1978

Submission of Ql, previously submitted in case entitled, "UNSUB (1); Old National Bank, Juanita Branch, 13233 - 100TH N.E., Kirkland, Washington, 9/8/77, BR"

Submission of Q4 and Qc3, previously submitted in case entitled, "UNSUBS (2); Rainier National Bank, Factoria Office, 3724 128TH S.E., Seattle, Washington, 6/20/77, BR"

- Photocopy of communique entitled "THE GEORGE JACKSON BRIGADE SUMMER SOLSTICE COMMUNIQUE"
- Q18 Envelope addressed to "The Workers, Factoria Branch, Ranier National Bank, 3724 128th S.E., Bellevue, WA 98006"
- Q19 Envelope addressed to "Automotive Machinist Union, Local 289 2701 lst, Seattle, WA"

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Q2 3	Envelope addressed to "KOMO TV News Director 4th North & Denny Way Seattle, WA 98109"
Q2 4	Photocopy of Q20
225	Photocopy of Q22
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Result of examination:

It was concluded that the typewriter element, 235, was not used to prepare any of the questioned documents, 21, 24 and 2c3, previously submitted and 217 through 234.

It was determined that more than one typewriter style was used in the preparation of the submitted typewritten documents. Examples were noted in Q18 and Q23. Because some of the typewriting does not contain sufficient comparable letters when compared with other documents, and because of the lack of sufficient identifying defects in the typewritten letters, it could not be determined whether the same typewriter or style of typewriter was used for these items. Some of the photocopies listed separately by Q numbers are photocopies of other submitted specimens, such as Q21, Q24, Q27, Q30 and Q33 which are photocopies of Q20 and Q25, Q28, Q31 and Q34 which are photocopies of Q22.

It was determined the typewriter element, Q35, was not used to prepare the demand note, Q1, previously submitted in the case entitled, "RITA DARLENE BROWN; UNSUB (1); Peoples National Bank, Seattle, Washington, 9/19/77, BR".

Q17 through Q34 were photographed and samples of typewritten impressions were obtained from Q35. Q17 through Q35 are being returned separately with the results of the requested latent fingerprint examination.

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Washington, D. C. 20537

REPORT

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IDENTIFICATION DIVISION

LATENT FINGERPRINT SECTION

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91-4769 91-50155 February 21, 1978

LATENT CASE NO.

B-25280

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Q30 and Q33

Six envelopes, Q10, Q19, Q23, Q26, Q29 and Q32

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Four photocopies of Q22, designated Q25, Q28, Q31 and Q34

Typewriter ball, Q35

The listed O specimens are further described in a separate Laboratory report.

The specimens were exemined and seven fingerprints of value are present on Q20, Q21, Q24, Q27, Q39 and 033 and eighteen latent fingerprints, one of which

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was made by the side and lower joint area of a finger, and four latent palm prints of value were developed on Q17, Q19, Q23, Q26, Q28, Q29 and Q32.

Based on available information, no record was located in the Identification Division files for Therese Ann Coupez.

A fingerprint present on a typewritten letter dated October 16, 1977, addressed to "Automotive Machinists Union Local 289 2701 1st Seattle, Wa.," beginning "Friends: We were responsible..." and designated Q20, and six fingerprints present on five copies of Q20, designated Q21, Q24, Q27, Q30 and Q33 have been identified as impressions of the right thumb of John William Sherman

The remaining prints in this submission are not identical with the fingerprints and palm prints of Sherman or Rita Darlene Brown

The specimens are being returned under separate cover with one item in Bufile #91-68138 and two items in Bufile #91-67389, which were resubmitted for a laboratory examination only.

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The Seattle Division was not notified of this bombing matter until October 17, 1977, by the King County Police Department, Seattle, Washington, inasmuch as it had not been determined that the incident had been perpetrated by a revolutionary group. On October 17, 1977, several agencies received a communique from the George Jackson Brigade which claimed credit for the bombing.

Therefore, jurisdiction of this matter was not assumed by the FBI until October 17, 1977. Because of these factors, the initial investigation and crime scene was done by the King County Police Department.

The crime scene was conducted by King County Police Department officers who are Redstone Arsenal trained bomb technicians.

Following captioned bombing, all appropriate Seattle Division sources were contacted, however, no positive information regarding the George Jackson Brigade was obtained. Copies of the George Jackson Brigade communique are contained in this report.

Seattle Division is currently working the George Jackson Brigade (GJB claimed bombings and bank robberies as a special investigation. RITA DARLENE BROWN, self acclaimed member of the GJB, was apprehended by Seattle Agents on November 4, 1977, and she subsequently pled guilty to charges of armed bank robbery on January 11, 1978, at Portland, Oregon. On February 21, 1978, BROWN appeared in United States District Court, Portland, Oregon, and was sentenced to custody of the United States Attorney General for a period of twenty-five years for bank robbery and five years for firearms violation. BROWN was immediately transported to Federal Correctional Facilities at Pleasanton, California. All Seattle GJB cases are being coordinated through Seattle file 91-4769, BUfile 91-60165, captioned:

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JOHN WILLIAM SHERMAN, aka FUGITIVE (A), FUBANK # 622;
THERESE ANN COUPEZ, aka FUGITIVE (A);
ET AL
PACIFIC NATIONAL BANK OF WASHINGTON,
TUKWILA BRANCH,
13451 INTERURBAN AVENUE,
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON
JANUARY 23, 1976
BANK ROBBERY (A);

The Seattle Division has covered in excess of 750 leads to locate and apprehend other members of the GJB. An extensive report covering the results of GJB leads is being prepared and will be reported in the aforementioned 91-file. Appropriate copies will be designated for the 174-files. All future reports re this bombing matter will

LEADS:

SEATTLE DIVISION

be included in 91-reports.

At Seattle, Washington

Will follow and report investigation to locate and apprehend members of the GJB through Seattle file 91-4769, BUfile 91-60165. Laboratory results will be reported in SE 174-1319 and SE 91-4769.

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UNKNOWN SUBJECT, also known as

George Jackson Brigade;

BOMBING OF B.B.C. DODGE COMPANY,

14640 FIRST AVENUE SOUTH,

BURIEN, WASHINGTON OCTOBER 15, 1977

Character:

EXPLOSIVES AND INCENDIARY DEVICES

Synopsis:

At approximately 11:11 p.m., 10/15/77, an unknown subject detonated an improvised explosive device at B.B.C. Dodge Co., 14650 - 1st Avenue S., Burien, Washington, causing approximately \$3,000 worth of damage. A communique from the George Jackson Brigade was received by the company on 10/18/77, claiming credit for the bombing in support of striking auto mechanics. The communique and investigation in this matter set forth. FBI Lab report included.

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DETAILS:

At Burien and Seattle, Washington

PREDICATION

This investigation was predicated upon receipt of information from the King County Police Department, Seattle, Washington, advising that the revolutionary group, The George Jackson Brigade (GJB) had taken credit for the bombing of the B.B.C. Dodge Company, 14650 First Avenue South, Burien, Washington, on October 15, 1977, and that a communique from the GJB had been received on October 18, 1977.

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DESCRIPTION OF LOCATION

The B.B.C. Dodge Company is located at 14650 First Avenue South, Burien, Washington. The dealership consists of an automobile storage lot, which is fenced with chain link fencing, an auto sales lot and several buildings housing the sales and service portion of the business.

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The dealership can be approached through public access areas from several different directions. In this matter the perpetrator cut through the chain link fence surrounding the auto storage lot.

EXPLOSIVE DEVICE

The improvised explosive devices (ED) are described as combination pipe bomb/incendiary bombs. there were three separate IEDs. The pipes are described as one and one-half inch by five inch pieces of galvanized pipe with galvanized end caps, which were filled with an explosive power and wired in parallel with Westclox travel alarm clocks and Eveready brand nine volt alkaline battery. The pipes were attached to one gallon glass jugs containing a flamable liquid. The devices were placed on either the hood or trunk of automobiles.

CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS

At approximately ll:ll p.m., on October 15, 1977, an unknown subject detonated three improvided explosive devices at B.B.C. Dodge Company, 14650 First Avenue South, Burien, Washington, causing approximately \$3,000 worth of damage to ten motor vehicles. No warning call preceded the bombing. No injuries occurred. Following the bombing, the King County Police Department conducted a crime scene investigation and obtained evidence at the scene. The King County Police Department subsequently prepared a crime scene and follow-up investigative report.

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On October 18, 1977, the following agencies received a copy of a communique from the GJB regarding this bombing:

Automobile Machinists Union, Local 289, Seattle; BBC Dodge Company, Burien; FBI, Seattle; King County Automobile Dealers Association, Seattle; and KOMO, Radio and TV, Seattle.

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The aforementioned communique which was received by the Automobile Machinists Union was an original typewritten page and contained a rolled fingerprint and the notation, "JOHN W. SHERMAN's right thumbprint". The fingerprint has been positively identified as the right thumb print of JOHN WILLIAM SHERMAN, Federal fugitive and member of the George Jackson Brigade. A laboratory report reflecting this identification is included in this report.







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